Minutes Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies Teleconference Meeting Thursday, June 1, 2006

Minutes Approved at the June 22, 2006 Meeting

The Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies held a teleconference meeting on Thursday, June 1, 2006, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA. Chairman John Villines called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

A quorum was established with the following board members present being: John Villines, Chair, Tripp Mitchell, Vice-Chair, Gary Baker, Cognizant, Robert Warner, Vernon Keenan, and Woodrow Blue. Also present were Steve Lindsey, Executive Director, and Ajay Gohil, Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Mitchell moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on an investigative matter. Mr. Warner seconded. Motion was carried by Villines, Baker, Keenan, and Blue.

Ajay Gohil, Assistant Attorney General, presented a proposed consent order from the attorney representing the respondent on case # PDSA060036. Mr. Gohil explained that he has added additional terms to the original proposed consent order for Board consideration. The terms of the order include suspension of the license to practice for a total of six months to end on August 24, 2006, followed by three years of probation. During the first year of probation, the respondent will only be authorized to provide unarmed security services. After the first year, the respondent may petition the Board to allow the company to provide armed security services. If the Board allows armed security services, the respondent will only use employees who are properly registered with the company. Additionally, a licensed third party agreed upon by both the Board and the respondent will monitor the operations of the respondent by holding regular meetings with the respondent and by reviewing operations. The respondent will be required to submit quarterly reports to apprise the Board of the operations and compliance with Board law and rules. In addition to following all laws and rules, a further term of the consent order is the surrender of the respondent's training instructor license. A \$3000 fine is also imposed as a term of the order.

In a separate matter, Director Keenan presented a letter his office received from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms advising the Bureau's position on whether the respondent in case # PDSA030057 may legally be authorized to carry a weapon, due to a previous felony conviction for which the respondent had received a pardon from the Georgia Pardons & Paroles Board. The Bureau advised that the respondent cannot legally possess a weapon.

Mr. Villines declared the meeting Open.

Mr. Mitchell moved to accept the consent order as presented and modified by the Assistant Attorney General. Mr. Mitchell further moved to continue with the hearing for revocation if the respondent fails to accept the consent order by 5:00 p.m. today. Mr. Warner seconded. Mr. Villines voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Baker, Mr. Blue, and Mr. Keenan voted against the motion. Motion failed to gain a majority vote; therefore, the motion failed.

Mr. Keenan moved to send PDSA030057 to the Attorney General's Office for revocation of registration with armed permit, based on the position stated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms.

Mr. Mitchell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Baker moved to place on the June 22 agenda a discussion of the Board forwarding case files to other law enforcement agencies when warranted.

Mr. Warner seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.